

IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An absorber (6) for vehicle bumper (2), comprising:
a support (12) having an upper half and a lower half; and
strips (32, 34) extending forwards from the support and having a first face (38) directed towards the interior of the absorber, characterized in that wherein it has for each strip has an opening (36) extending opposite the first face (38) and opening onto the exterior of the absorber, wherein each strip (32, 34) extends from a longitudinal edge (18, 20) of the support (12), wherein each strip (32, 34) has a second face (40) directed towards the exterior of the absorber, is planar, and extends in a horizontal plane from only one of the lower and upper halves of the support (12).

2-6 (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, wherein at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the strips (32, 34) extend from one of the upper and lower halves of the support 12, alternating along the support.

8. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, ~~at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized it comprises~~ further comprising a strengthening rib (42) for each strip (32, 34).

9-12 (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, ~~at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it has~~ further comprising a front wall (46) in contact with the strips (32, 34) ~~and extending at the front of the latter.~~

14. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, ~~wherein at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the support (12) comprises~~ a vertical wall (14) from which extend the strips.

15. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, ~~wherein at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the support (12) is arranged so as to exhibit greater stiffness with regards to impact from the front than any area of the absorber provided with strips.~~

16. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, ~~wherein at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the support (12) comprises~~ ribs (22, 24).

17. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, wherein ~~at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ the support (12) comprises a horizontal wall (16).

18. (Currently Amended) The absorber according to Claim 1, wherein ~~at least any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it is arranged so as to be wholly manufactured by moulding between~~ the absorber comprises two mould portions (60, 62) which are mobile relatively ~~relative~~ to each other.

19-22 (Cancelled)